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WICKHAMFORD.

EVESHAM :

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The festival of the Patron Saint of our Church and Parish (S. James) was solemnly kept on Sunday the 24th, and on S. James' day. There was a choral celebration of the Holy Communion at 8 a.m. on Sunday, when there was a good choir and twenty-one communicants. The service was sung to Woodward's setting in E flat, with appropriate hymns. The service at 11 a.m. was as usual on Sunday mornings. At 6.30 p.m. evensong was sung fully choral. The anthem was "He shall feed his flock," from Handel's Messiah, which was sung by Mrs. Savory with great feeling, followed by a chorus—"The Lord is my strength"—by V. Novello. The organ was played throughout by Mr. J. Agg, and Mr. Warner accompanied the service with his violin. The sermons were preached by the Vicar morning and evening. The subject in the morning was Sunday Schools, and the collections throughout the day were for the Parochial Sunday Schools, and amounted to £1 8s. 11d. We are very grateful for the help which is thus given, as the Sunday Schools involve considerable expense, and we are sure the parents of the 185 children on the books are glad to help with this good work. Mrs. Sladden has kindly undertaken the office of Treasurer to the Sunday Schools, and she will be glad to receive any subscriptions to the funds. We take this opportunity of thanking the many teachers who so willingly give up time and trouble to this work. Without their valuable help it would be impossible to carry on the schools. On S. James' Day the services were: 8 a.m., Holy Communion; 10 a.m., Mattins; 7.30 p.m., Evensong.

The Flower Show was held on Wednesday, July 27, in glorious weather. The exhibits appeared to be very good, particularly the lovely flowers shown by Mr. J. Marshall, which were universally and justly admired. Lady Lifford, accompanied by Lord Lifford, very kindly attended and gave away the prizes. We congratulate Mr. Sladden, Mr. Stanford (the hon secretary), and all who were responsible for the management, upon the success of the show. There was a large attendance.

BAND OF HOPE.

There has only been one meeting during July, as the schools were closed for a fortnight, and the children were out in the gardens. This meeting was held in the Old School on the 28th, when addresses were given by the Vicar and Mr. Thomas Hall. A meeting will be held in the Vicarage garden on August 2nd at 6 p.m. There will be no meeting during the Vicar's absence. We hope the parents of the children will do all in their power to encourage them to keep their pledge during the

summer months. No child is allowed to take a pledge without its parents' consent, and we feel therefore a great responsibility rests upon them to help the children to keep that pledge.

The Rev. C. G. Gepp has kindly pointed out that there were some omissions in the list of incumbents of the parish of Badsey and Wickhamford, published in our last number. He has sent a revised list which we hope to publish at some future time. It may interest some of our readers to know that the old registers and documents connected with the parish are being copied out, and will be published in course of time.

Lammas (August 1) is an interesting day. In the ancient calendars of the Church it was called S. Peter ad vincula, and commemorated the miraculous deliverance of S. Peter from prison, as recorded in Acts xii. The word Lammas is probably a corruption of the old word Hlafmas—i.e., loaf mass, so called because it was customary on this day to offer at the altar a loaf made from the newly cut corn of the harvest. It thus serves as a kind of harvest thanksgiving.

The Vicar will be away from Badsey on Sundays August 14 and 21. The Rev. J. H. Beibitz, Vice Principal of St. Aidan's Theological College, Birkenhead, has kindly promised to be in residence at the Vicarage during the Vicar's absence. Mr. Beibitz will be glad to visit any sick persons who desire to see him. Notice should be sent to the Vicarage.

The Churchwardens have decided to have the spoutings and other outside work of the Church painted. This is a very necessary work in order to preserve the fabric in proper order. A bier for carrying the dead at funerals is also shortly to be provided. This has been a great want for a very long time. This work will involve a considerable outlay, and we trust that members of the congregation will remember these extra expenses when giving their alms for Church expenses, out of which the cost will be defrayed. While speaking of the dead may we ask a special favour that parishioners, who have friends lying in the Churchyard, will not put artificial flowers on the graves. Real flowers are greatly to be desired, because they are symbolical of the Resurrection of the Dead. Sham flowers are meaningless. They are generally found in Roman Catholic Churchyards on the continent, but are quite out of place in an English Churchyard.

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BADSEY.

BAPTISM.

July 17, Adelaide Knight.
 „ „ Rosa Annie Hall.
 „ „ Rosa Annie Sparrow.

MARRIAGE:

July 19, Joseph Foster Agg and Emma Wilkes.

BURIAL.

July 9, Charles Heath, aged 66 years.

MONIES COLLECTED IN THE CHURCHES.

		BADSEY.	WICKHAMFORD.
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
July 3,	Sick and Needy ...	0 7 5½
„ 10,	Church Expenses ...	1 3 9
„ 17,	Sick and Needy	5 2
„ 24,	Sunday Schools ...	1 8 11
„ 31,	Church Expenses	2 5
Total ...		£3 0 14	0 7 7

Calendar for August.

1	M	Lammas Day.
2	T	(Band of Hope meeting at 6 p.m.)
3	W	
4	Th	
5	F	Fast.
6	S	Transfiguration.
7	☉	9th Sunday after Trinity. (H.C. after Mattins.)
8	M	
9	T	
10	W	St. Laurence, Archdeacon of Rome and Martyr.
11	Th	
12	F	Fast.
13	S	
14	☉	10th Sunday after Trinity. (H.C. 8 a.m.)
15	M	
16	T	
17	W	
18	Th	
19	F	Fast.
20	S	
21	☉	11th Sunday after Trinity. (H.C. at Badsey, 8 a.m.; Wickhamford, 10.15 Mattins, 11.0 H.C. (Choral),
22	M	
23	T	
24	W	S. Bartholomew, Apostle and Martyr.
25	Th	
26	F	Fast.
27	S	
28	☉	12th Sunday after Trinity (H.C. 8 a.m.) S. Augustine, Bp. of Hippo, C.D.
29	M	Beheading of S. John Baptist.
30	T	
31	W	